

### **Amendments to the Claims**

#### **I. Amendments**

Please cancel claims 9-12, 14-17, 25-28, without prejudice or disclaimer, as directed to non-elected inventions.

#### **II. The Claims of the Application**

Claim 1. **(Previously amended)** A compound of the formula:

$R^1$ -RANTES (2-68)

where  $R^1$  is  $CH_3-(CH_2)_n-X-$ ; in which

X is  $-C(O)-NH-CH_2-C(O)-$ ,  $-NHCH_2-C(O)-$ ,  $-ONH-CH_2-C(O)-$ ,  
 $-OCH_2-CH_2-C(O)-$ ,  $-CH=CH-C(O)-$ ,  $-C(O)-$ , or a covalent bond;  
and n is an integer of 4-8;

and in which RANTES (2-68) is a polypeptide having the sequence:

PYSSDT TPCCFAYIAR PLPRAHIKEY FYTSGKCSNP

AVVFVTRKNR QVCANPEKKW VREYINSLEMS

(SEQ ID No. 2) or a sequence which is a variant of said sequence,  
the variant sequence having at least 40 % sequence homology with  
said sequence;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 2. **(Original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 4 and  
X is  $-C(O)-NH-CH_2-C(O)-$ .

Claim 3. **(Original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 5  
and X is  $-NH-CH_2-C(O)-$ .

Claim 4. **(Original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 7 and X is  $-C(O)-$ .

Claim 5. **(Original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 8 and X is a covalent bond.

Claim 6. **(Previously amended)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 4 and X is -ONH-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-.

Claim 7. **(Previously amended)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 5 and X is -CH=CH-C(O)-.

Claim 8. **(Original)** The compound of claim 1, wherein n is 4 and X is -OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-.

Claim 13. **(Previously amended)** A pharmaceutical composition for administration to a mammal having a disease state in that is alleviated by treatment with a RANTES inhibitor, which comprises a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:  
$$R^1\text{-RANTES (2-68)}$$
where  $R^1$  is  $CH_3\text{-}(CH_2)_n\text{-}X\text{-}$ ; in which  
X is -C(O)-NH-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-, -NHCH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-, -ONH-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-, -OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-, -CH=CH-C(O)-, -C(O)-, or a covalent bond; and n is an integer of 4-8;  
and in which RANTES (2-68) is a polypeptide having the sequence:  
PYSSDT TPCCFAYIAR PLPRAHIKEY FYTSGKCSNP  
AVVFVTRKNR QVCANPEKKW VREYINSLEMS  
(SEQ ID No. 2) or a sequence which is a variant of said sequence, the variant sequence having at least 40 % sequence homology with said sequence;  
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof;  
in admixture with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

Claim 18. **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 4 and X is -C(O)-NH-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-.

Claim 19. **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 5 and X is -NHCH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-.

Claim 20. **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 7 and X is -C(O)-.

Claim 21 **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 8 and X is a covalent bond.

Claim 22. **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 4 and X is -ONH-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-.

Claim 23. **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 5 and X is -CH=CH-C(O)-.

Claim 24. **(Previously added)** The pharmaceutical composition of claim 13, wherein  
N is 4 and X is -OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-C(O)-.